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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: C. ANDREW NEFF

APPLICATION No.: 09/816,869

FILED: MARCH 24, 2001

FOR: **VERIFIABLE, SECRET SHUFFLES OF
ENCRYPTED DATA, SUCH AS ELGAMAL
ENCRYPTED DATA FOR SECURE MULTI-
AUTHORITY ELECTIONS**

EXAMINER: ELLEN C. TRAN

ART UNIT: 2134

CONF. NO: 6077

Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The present communication responds to the Office Action dated October 20, 2004, in the above-identified application. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 14.